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Festive glow had a timely introduction for Southend shoppers on Saturday. The photo above was taken just before Southend's Christmas lights were switched on by west end star Lee Mead on Saturday. For more photos see pages 6-7.

● Sewage company Anglian Water denies being responsible for pollution at Bell Wharf beach as bosses promise to 'continue to monitor' all equipment

# LEIGH BEACH WATER RATED AMONG WORST

By Michael Cox

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WATER quality at Leigh's Bell Wharf beach has remained well

below the national average as the latest ratings were revealed.

According to figures released by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, the bathing water quality at the wharf

is 'sufficient', meaning that it only meets the minimum standard.

It puts Leigh Bell Wharf in the lowest 8 per cent of locations in the country.

The wharf was also rated suffi-

cient last year, having been downgraded from good.

After the publication of last year's results, Cllr Ann Holland, executive councillor for culture,

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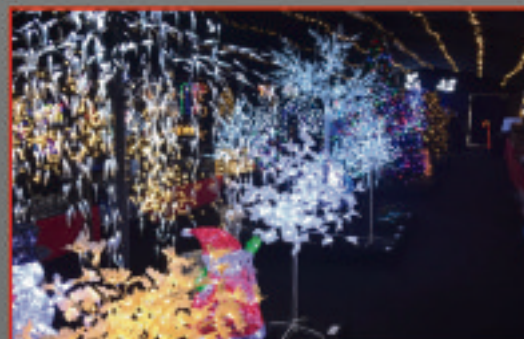


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Up to 30 patients each day will be moved to 'specialist units' under new plan

# Emergency op's transferred from Southend NHS

By Michael Cox

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SOME planned operations at Southend Hospital could be transferred to hospitals in Basildon and Chelmsford under the latest plans put forward.

The Mid and South Essex Sustainability and Transformation Partnership (STP) has outlined its latest proposals that are set to go to a 14 week public consultation.

Dr Celia Skinner, chief medical officer for the three hospitals, said around 15 planned

operations and 15 emergency patients each day would be transferred to another hospital.

An STP spokesman added the emergency patients would be transferred for specialist treatment. Currently, Southend Hospital specialises in cancer care, while Basildon Hospital is the Essex Cardiothoracic Centre and Broomfield Hospital in Chelmsford has a specialist burns unit.

The spokesman added that the plans would "guarantee" a full team of specialist doctors, nurses and technicians available around the clock, which "is not always the case currently".

Dr Skinner confirmed that all three accident and emergency units would continue to receive ambulances and remain open to walk-in patients as part of the proposals.

Campaigners, including Save Southend A&E, had protested against earlier scrapped plans to downgrade

A&E departments at Southend and Broomfield.

Dr Skinner said: "Our proposals aim to bring together some specialist services, for the times where, once or twice in our lives, we need very specialist emergency care or a planned overnight operation."

"Patients would continue to have their tests, outpatient appointments, day case operations and maternity services at their local hospital, the same as they do today, alongside general emergency care beds and critical care facilities."

Mike Fieldhouse, secretary of Save Southend A&E, felt the logistics of moving seriously ill patients across Essex between hospitals was "fraught with dangers" and said that he would remain sceptical until the full proposals have been revealed.

He added: "It is vitally important to ensure that the people of Essex receive the best care available."

The proposed changes would happen over the next two to five years, subject to the approval of



**PLAN:** Consultation will outline proposal to move some emergency operations between three hospitals, Southend, Basildon and Broomfield

the joint committee of the five clinical commissioning groups (CCG) in mid and south Essex.

The public consultation will begin once the committee approves the final pre-consultation business case at its meeting on November 29.

Feedback from the consultation would be considered by the committee in May 2018.

Dr Caroline Dollery, GP and clinical chair of Mid Essex CCG, said: "We all want the very best health and care for

people. While there are examples of excellent care, it is very difficult to achieve ever-increasing standards with consistency across our three hospitals."

"It makes complete sense for the hospitals to work together in some of the very specialist types of services."

"The CCG joint committee is keen to hear the views and ideas of local people on the wider picture as well as the specific proposals for hospital services."

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Injured boy stable after alleged stab attack in Southend

● A TEENAGE boy suffered serious injuries after an alleged stabbing in Southend town.

The 14 year-old suffered stab wounds to the chest and abdomen, and was taken to hospital where he is in a stable condition.

The alleged incident happened in Pleasant Road, at around 8.35am on Friday.

\*A 35-year-old man from Suffolk has been charged with wounding with intent and intimidating a witness, while a 17-year-old boy from Watford has been charged with wounding with intent. They were due to appear at Chelmsford Magistrates Court on Monday.

### Fayre for church folk in December

● CHRISTMAS fayre is being held at a church in Leigh.

Belfairs Methodist Church, in Eastwood Road North, is hosting the event, between 10am and noon, on Saturday, December 2.

Refreshments and snacks are available on the day, with stalls including arts and crafts, gifts, toys, books and tombola.

### Man's death is not suspicious, say police

● THE death of a man, whose body was found on a beach in Westcliff, is not being treated as suspicious by police.

Police were called following concern for the welfare of a man on Western Esplanade, Westcliff shortly before 3.30am on Saturday, November 18.

Officers and paramedics attended but the man was pronounced dead at the scene.

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# Night shelters service returns to help homeless

EXTRA beds are being provided for homeless people in Southend again this winter thanks to a partnership.

Homeless charity HARP, Love Southend and Southend Council have teamed up to provide somewhere for homeless people to sleep through the winter.

The Southend Churches Winter Night Shelters will add 20 extra bed spaces per night as seven churches across Southend open their doors for one night a week from November 29 to March 20.

The partnership was set up in 2011, in response to the growing number of rough sleepers who found themselves with nowhere to go in the winter.

A HARP spokesman said 54 per cent of people who stayed at the churches last year did not return to the streets by the time the shelters closed for the season. He added that the partnership will develop a personalised action plan for people staying at the churches to continue to give them "the best possible chance of beating homelessness".

John Simmons, co-ordinator of the Churches Winter Night Shelters, said: "We anticipate more guests this winter than



**PARTNERSHIP:** Volunteers from last year's Churches Winter Night Shelters scheme in Southend

ever before, so everybody's continued hard work in helping them is incredibly valued.

"Volunteers are always welcome, especially those who are willing to stay overnight."

The partnership is also encouraging anyone who has become homeless or is at risk of homelessness to go to HARP's Bradbury Centre.

HARP's service operations manager, Gary Turner, added:

"The Church Winter Night Shelters are a great opportunity for people to be safe, secure and warm, whilst also engaging with us to move their lives forward. We are very proud to be part of this partnership, which has become a vital service for local homeless people over the winter months. After the success of last year, it is

great to continue to collaborate and evolve together so that we

can ensure that vulnerable people in Southend are receiving the best possible support to help them now, whilst ultimately working towards a life away from the streets."

CLr Mark Flewitt, executive councillor for housing, added: "The winter night shelters help ensure people can access food, shelter and companionship and are absolutely vital in our bid to keep rough sleepers off the

streets during the coldest months of the year. We are therefore very pleased to help fund and plan this much needed service again this year, thanks to our strong partnership with the Love Southend faith group and HARP."

To volunteer at shelters (especially overnight), contact John Simmons at john.simmons17ewb@btinternet.com.

## Witness appeal in 'rape' probe

POLICE are appealing to trace a witness in connection with an investigation into an alleged rape in Southend.

Essex Police said it is investigating a report that a woman, aged in her 40s, was raped on the evening of Thursday, October 26.

They want to trace a man who was seen crossing Queensway just before 9.50pm on that day.

He was wearing light coloured jeans, a white top and a dark jacket.

A police spokesman said he was walking in the direction of Southend town centre at the same time a man and a woman were crossing the road and walking in the opposite direction.

Anyone who can help police is asked to contact the adult sexual abuse investigation team at Southend on 101.

■ Collin Gibson, 26, unemployed, of East Street, Southend, was charged with rape and a burglary on October 26 and possession of cannabis on November 3.

He appeared at Southend Magistrates' Court on November 6.

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Mayor of Southend Cllr Fay Evans and X Factor contestant Tracy Leanne Jefford were also there.

She was helping out fellow X Factor wannabe Matt Linnen, from Southend, who appeared by videolink just before the switch-on.

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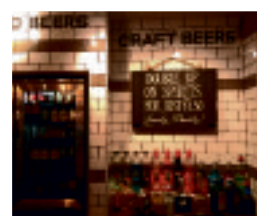
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# Help your local area this winter and sign up to be a snow warden

SOUTHEND Council is calling on people to become snow wardens and protect roads and pavements this winter.

A council spokesman said the snow warden's pledge is to use supplies for the benefit of the wider community, adhere to the council's advisory information sheet, The Snow Code,

provide an e-mail address to receive council updates and provide confirmation of community activity they have undertaken, as well as check and report on salt grit bins that need refilling.

Cllr Tony Cox, executive councillor for transport, waste and regulatory services, said:

"With winter fast approaching, the roads will become increasingly unsafe, so it is important we protect our roads and pavements as much as possible.

"We monitor the weather and road temperatures daily to ensure gritters are always ready and waiting to grit the main routes.

**TRUE GRIT:** Snow wardens are on hand to assist in the community, making roads and pavements safe for residents to travel



"Snow wardens are on hand to assist within their local community, making roads and pavements safe for residents to travel. We are hopeful that individuals with their community in mind will sign up, make the

pledge and help out in the harsher winter months."

To express an interest in becoming a snow warden, call Veolia on 0203 567 6955 or email [uk.southend-on-sea@veolia.com](mailto:uk.southend-on-sea@veolia.com).

## 'Unusual' items can be recycled

A CAMPAIGN has begun to let Southend residents know about "unusual" items that can be recycled.

Southend Council's waste contractor, Veolia, is launching the campaign in a bid to boost the borough's recycling rates.

A council spokesman said bleach bottles, foil food trays, shaving foam cans and air fresheners are among a list of items that residents often do not realise can be recycled.

The campaign will see posters put up across the borough, leaflets distributed and social media posts uploaded with recycling information and tips.

Cllr Tony Cox, executive councillor for transport, waste and regulatory services, said: "Recycling these unusual items can really make a difference to our overall recycling rates.

"Not only does recycling help secure a better environment for future generations but it also means that money currently spent on landfill could instead be spent on other essential council services, such as social care, highways maintenance or libraries."

To check which items can be recycled and how, visit [www.southend.gov.uk/recycling](http://www.southend.gov.uk/recycling).

## Rarely seen fashion treasures on display

A NEW exhibition featuring fashion and fine art is on display at a Southend gallery.

The Beecroft Gallery, on Victoria Avenue, is hosting Construction: Clothing, Image, Persona.

It will showcase clothing and accessories over time to explore issues of self-image.

A display of fine art portraits "shows our persistent preoccupa-

tion with our self-image through history", according to a Southend Council spokesman.

The exhibition will feature a 1645 slap sole shoe, that has been on display at the Victoria and Albert Museum as well as paintings from the gallery's archive that have never been exhibited.

Cllr Ann Holland, executive



CARE: Ciara Phipps at the Beecroft Gallery, Southend  
Photo by Martin Dalton

councillor for culture, tourism and the economy, said: "I am delighted that we have such an extensive collection of garments and accessories from both international tours and from local collectors.

"The pieces give a fascinating insight into how we as human beings show ourselves to the world, and I am thrilled that the museums and galleries in Southend are using them to raise issues that are as relevant today as they have clearly always been."

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# Students raise over £200 for pet project

SIX students from the Parallel Learning Trust's (PLT) Victory Park and Sutton House schools walked more than five-and-a-half miles and raised more than £200 for Trust Links.

They completed the two-hour sponsored walk from the charity's garden Growing Together Westcliff on Fairfax Drive to Belfairs Woodland Centre and back.

The walk was part of Trust Links' crowdfunding campaign for community pets and wildlife at its Growing Together projects.

Money raised from the campaign will be used to buy food, bedding and enhance facilities for the four guinea pigs and six chickens at the Growing Together gardens and pay for vet care and check-ups.

The charity plans to install a duck house in the wildlife pond at Growing Together

Shoeburyness and provide bird feeders, seed and viewing facilities at the Growing Together community gardens.

Trust Links, which helps people with mental health problems, aims to raise £2,500 which will be match-funded by Comic Relief.



**SUPPORT:** Students with Annette Payne from Trust Links (top left), Steve Morgan and John Williams from PLT

The students visit Growing Together Westcliff on Fridays to learn gardening skills and animal care, cooking and crafts.

PLT teacher John Williams said: "I am so proud of the students for showing excellent behaviour and for the effort that they have put in to fundraising for this important cause. The

students get a lot of benefit from coming to Trust Links, so it is great that they can give something back through fundraising for the pets."

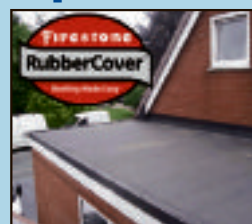
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ments to take up the challenge to grab the coveted first place for their own literary protégés.

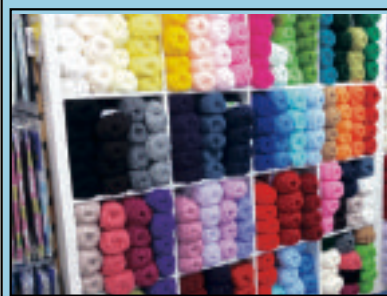
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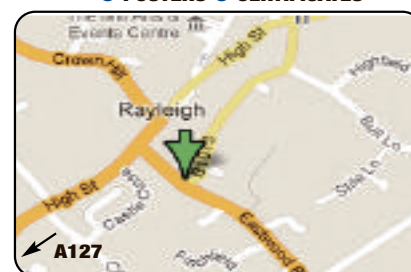


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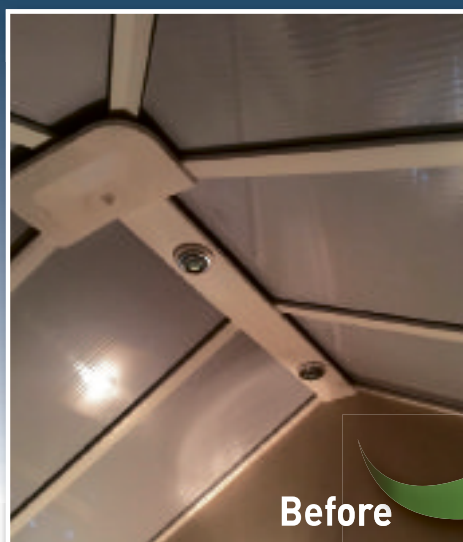
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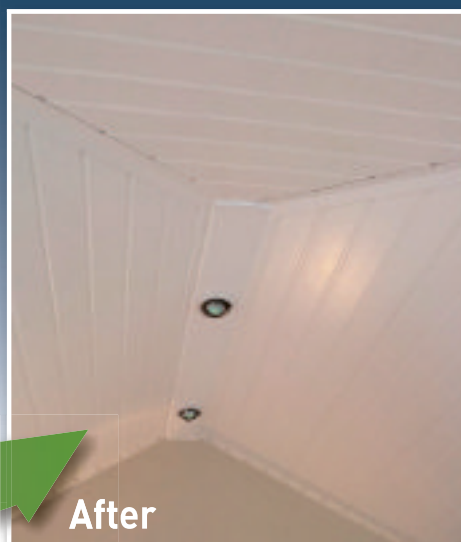
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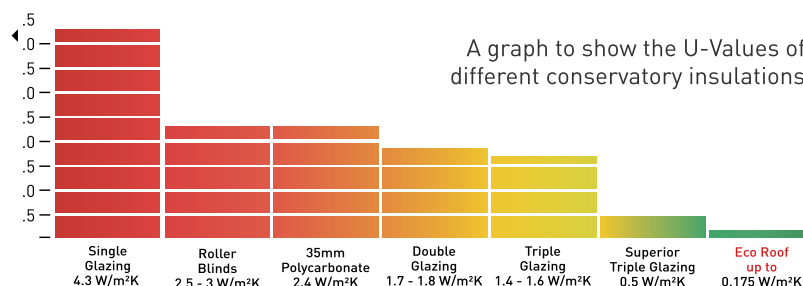


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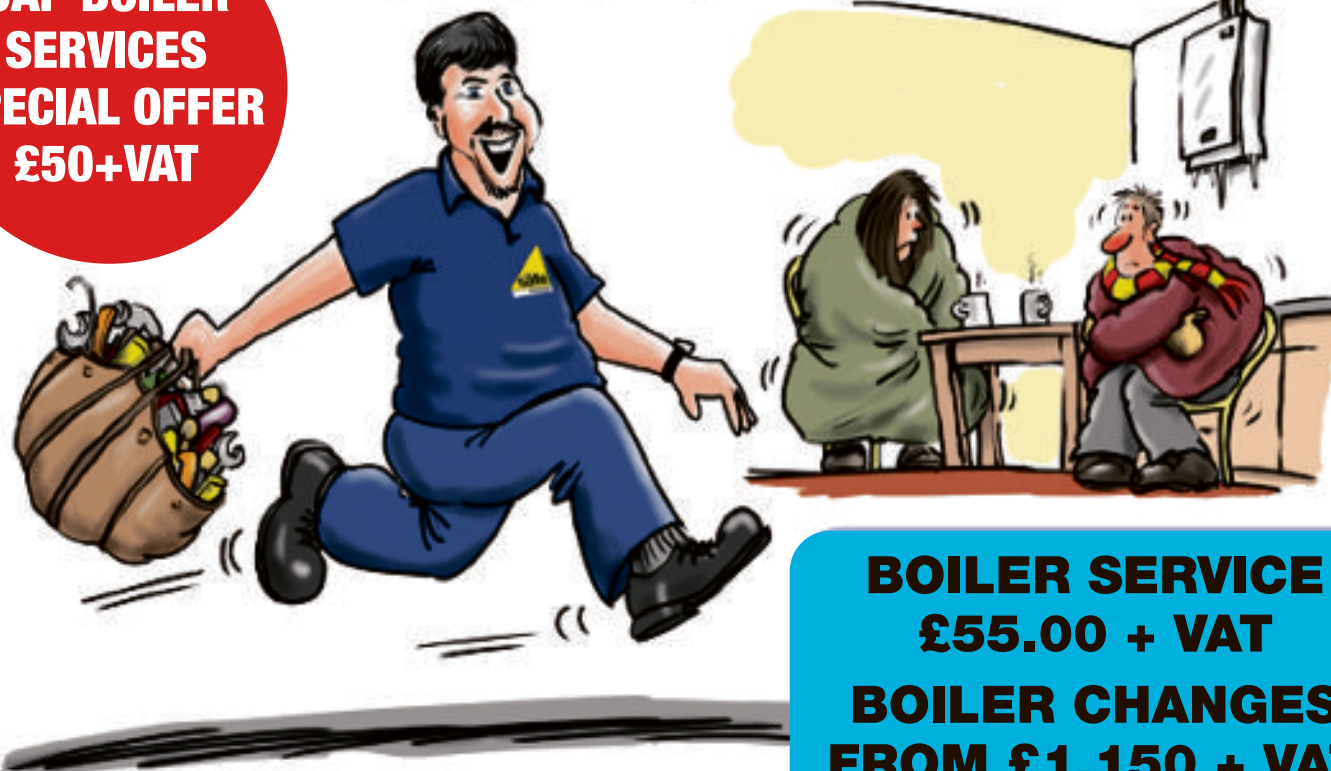
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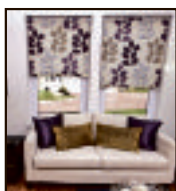
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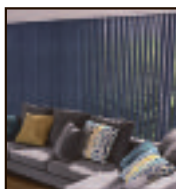
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VISIT: Royal British Legion members at Southend High School for Boys

Photo by Martin Dalton

## Legion members share memories

VETERANS spoke to students from a Southend secondary school at a special lunch last week.

Members from a number of Essex branches of the Royal British Legion visited Southend High School for Boys on Friday.

The school's archive committee attended to record memories of the veterans as part of its programme, funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund, to develop the archive, teaching materials and new website.

A school spokesman said the lunch gave students and staff the opportunity to hear and reflect on the accounts of veterans from the Second World War and subsequent conflicts.

There were displays of memorabilia including the military history of the school.

## Donate your toys to children in hospital over holiday period

CHRISTMAS is traditionally a time for family. However, for children in hospital awaiting a procedure or recovering from one, spending the holiday on a ward can be a lonely time.

Not only are they feeling left out of the fun and festivities, they are also away from familiar faces and the comforts of home.

In the run-up to Christmas, the *Yellow Advertiser* will be collecting toys and gifts for children who will be spending the holiday period in hospital.

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## Water quality

From front page

tourism and the economy, said the council wanted to get the water quality at Leigh Bell Wharf back to good and it would work with partners on projects to identify and deal with the issues.

When asked why the council had not achieved its aim to return water quality at Leigh Bell Wharf to "good" and what steps it would be taking to improve the water quality, a spokesman said: "We are continuing to work with our partners, including the Environment Agency and Anglian Water to identify and address these issues, and investigations are on-going."

"Being close to a working fishing port, boats disturb the silt which has an effect on bathing water tests and is a challenge for all partners."

An Anglian Water spokeswoman said it has invested £150,000 to understand the issues affecting Leigh Bell Wharf bathing waters.

She added: "We will continue to work closely with Southend Council and the Environment Agency to identify possible sources of pollution."

"Together, we are using state-of-the-art technology including CCTV, dye tracing, sampling and on-foot surveys of the coastal area surrounding the bathing water to understand what is causing the issue. We also continue to monitor our equipment to ensure it is working as well as it should."

"It is likely to be the result of several sources of environmental pollution having a combined detrimental effect."

An Environment Agency spokeswoman said: "We are working with partners to investigate and address the issues at Leigh Bell Wharf."

The other seven beaches remained at either excellent or good for the second year running.

Water quality at Shoebury East, Shoeburyness, Thorpe Bay and Westcliff Bay beaches was "excellent", while Jubilee Beach, Three Shells and Chalkwell beaches were rated "good".

CLR Holland said: "We are extremely lucky to live in a seaside town that offers such high quality beaches and bathing waters."

"Over the past few years we have improved and sustained these high standards that we set ourselves."

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# Christmas all wrapped up

## The origins of our festive traditions

**T**UCKING into mince pies, sending cards and heading to the theatre for a pantomime may have all become a part of Christmas, but how did these and other traditions begin?

It was a civil servant by the name of Sir Henry Cole, who started the custom of sending Christmas cards in the UK in 1843.

He wondered how the new post office could be used more by ordinary people so he and his artist friend, John Horsley, came up with the idea of a Christmas card.

Their first one, which depicted a family enjoying a large Christmas dinner and panels showing people caring for the poor, sold for one shilling each.

Christmas cards became more popular when printing methods improved and were produced in large numbers from around 1860.

The custom had spread across Europe by the early 1900s and became especially popular in Germany.

While the first cards usually had pictures of the nativity on them, in late Victorian times robins and snow scenes became popular.

While today's mince pies are filled with a dried fruit mix they were originally filled with

meat and first made in an oval shape to represent the manger that Jesus slept in, with the top representing his swaddling clothes.

Mince pies were a status symbol in the UK during Stuart and Georgian times, when very rich people would show off at their Christmas parties by producing pies in different shapes, from stars and crescents, to hearts and flowers.

Meat was also an original ingredient for Christmas puddings which were first made in the 14th century from beef and mutton, as well as raisins, currants, prunes, wine and spices. During this time it would have looked more like a soup and it was eaten as a fasting meal in preparation for the Christmas festivities.

By 1595 they were being thickened with eggs, breadcrumbs and dried fruit as they slowly changed into plum puddings. While these had become a customary Christmas dessert by around 1650, by 1664 the Puritans – a group of English reformed Protestants – banned them.

After enjoying a plum pudding King George I re-established them as part

of the Christmas meal in 1714, and by Victorian times they had changed into something similar to the ones we eat today. While in rich Victorian households they were often cooked in fancy moulds, often shaped like towers or castles, most people just had puddings in the shape of balls – referred to as cannonballs if they were a bit heavy.

The tradition of hanging mistletoe in the house goes back to the times of the ancient druids, when it was supposed to possess mystical powers to bring good luck to a household and ward off evil spirits. It was also used as a sign of love and friendship in Norse mythology and this is where the custom of kissing under the mistletoe comes from.

While it is unclear where the Christmas tree originated from, the evergreen fir tree has traditionally been used to celebrate winter festivals, both Pagan and Christian, for thousands of years.

Pagans decorated their homes with branches of it during the winter solstice, while the Romans used fir trees to decorate their temples

at the festival of Saturnalia.

Christmas crackers were first made by London sweet-maker, Tom Smith, around 1845.

After seeing French bon-bon sweets – almonds wrapped in pretty paper – he returned to London and tried selling similar sweets in England with the addition of a small motto or riddle with the sweet.

While the first did not sell well, he came up with a fun idea while sitting next to a log fire.

Interested by the sparks and cracks coming from the fire, he thought it would be a good idea if his sweets and toys could be opened with a crack when their fancy wrappers were pulled in half. When he died one of his sons introduced hats inside the crackers and travelled around the world looking for new ideas for gifts to put inside them, before the company built up a range of themed crackers.

The world's longest Christmas cracker was 63.1m (207ft) long and 4m (13ft) in diameter and made by the parents of children at Ley Hill School and Pre-School, Chesham,

Bucks, in 2001.

Pantomimes are a big part of Christmas but they originally had nothing to do with it. They first began as entertainment for adults and can be traced back to an ancient Roman midwinter feast, when everything was supposed to be turned upside down, with men dressed as women and women as men.

Panto first came to Britain in the 18th century from the Italian commedia dell'arte form of theatre.

The stories had many stock characters in them, such as clowns and jesters and a baddie, and traditional plots got mixed up with fairy stories, folk tales, or tales from the Arabian Nights stories, to gradually evolve into the dozens of familiar stories that we see today.

When it comes to pantomimes there are plenty on offer throughout the area, from Aladdin and Jack and the Beanstalk, to Cinderella and Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs.

Turn the pages of our special Christmas supplement to find out more about which pantomimes are where, what is happening on the festive front in your area, and much more.

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Date	Port
07-Jan	London Tilbury
08-Jan	Amsterdam (Netherlands)
11-Jan	Lisbon (Portugal)
13-Jan	Funchal (Madeira)
16-Jan	Mindelo (Cape Verde)
22-Jan	Santarém (Brazil)
23-Jan	Boca Da Valeria (Brazil) ↓
24-Jan	Manaus (Brazil)
25-Jan	Manaus (Brazil)
26-Jan	Parintins (Brazil) ↓
27-Jan	Alter do Chão (Brazil) ↓
28-Jan	Cruising Amazon River
29-Jan	Icoaraci for Belem (Brazil) ↓
31-Jan	Îles du Salut (French Guyana) ↓
02-Feb	Scarborough (Tobago)
03-Feb	St Georges (Grenada)
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## Itinerary

Date	Port
21-Dec	London Tilbury
22-Dec	Amsterdam (Netherlands)
25-Dec	Christmas Day at Sea
26-Dec	Gibraltar
28-Dec	Santa Cruz (Tenerife)
29-Dec	Arrecife (Lanzarote)
30-Dec	Las Palmas (Gran Canaria)
31-Dec	Funchal (Madeira) ↓
02-Jan	Lisbon (Portugal)
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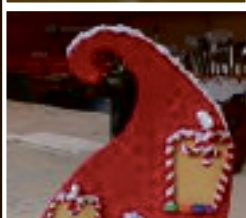


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## Christmas lights and carols

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# Capital is a winter wonderland



Tower of London ice rink  
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year the road has been decorated and the switch-on, carried out by pop star Rita Ora, attracted more than one million people.

Displays can also be seen in Bond Street, Covent Garden, Regent Street and Carnaby Street.

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## Christmas markets

If you need last-minute gifts, want to stroll around a festive environment or enjoy a bag of roasted chestnuts with mulled wine, then head to one of the

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Winter Wonderland in Hyde Park has one of the biggest Christmas markets in London and is open until January 1.

The South Bank Centre's Winter Market lines the banks of the Thames and has a Finnish rooftop sauna, until December 30.

Greenwich Market has more than 150 stalls up to Christmas Eve.

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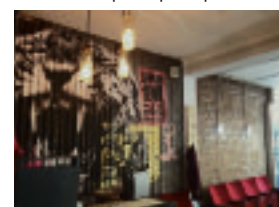
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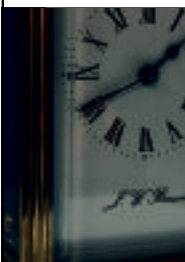


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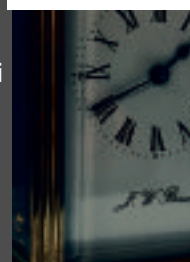
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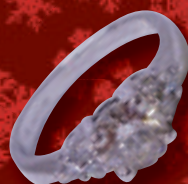
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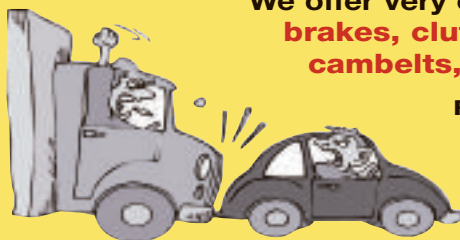
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## Cliftons for the Cliffs

By Liz Wade

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**H**OT off the heels of their sell-out 2017 tour, Strictly Come Dancing sweethearts Kevin and Karen Clifton will hit the road again in 2018 with a much extended, second instalment of their live dance spectacular.

Next year's tour promises to be even bigger and better with more dates and venues confirmed, including both matinee and evening performances at Cliffs Pavilion, Southend, on Saturday, June 2.

The show, which tours 37 venues across the UK and Ireland, will be a high energy performance filled with sassy tunes, sparkling costumes and compelling storytelling.

With heart-pounding choreography, a supporting cast of dancers and a live 12-piece show band, this show will leave you breathless.

The married couple have been appearing in Strictly Come Dancing, with Karen partnering chef and co-presenter of Channel 4's Sunday Brunch, Simon Rimmer, who was the fifth celebrity to be voted off, and Kevin partnering Scottish comedian Susan Calman.

Karen and Kevin were blown away by the enormous success and press acclaim of their first show which left thrilled audiences on their feet at the end of every show, and they will once again dazzle audiences next year with their remarkable on-stage chemistry, alluring and passionate routines and unique style of ballroom magic, which pushes the boundaries of ballroom and Latin choreography to the limit.

Landing their second tour is a dream come true for the couple. "We've been working for such a long time to get our own tour off the ground and we didn't know how the first one was going to be received, and much to our delight it went better than we could have dreamed of," they said.

"We were so overwhelmed by messages

from people asking us to come to parts of the country that we weren't able to on our 2017 tour, so we are thrilled that our 2018 tour is taking in more dates and more venues around the country.

"Doing our own tour is a dream come true and we can't wait to come back with something totally new and exciting."

The World Champion dancers are now established as one of Strictly Come Dancing's most popular dance couples. Karen has appeared in five series of TV's most watched programme, partnering with Nicky Byrne from Westlife in her first year, "Hairy Biker" Dave Myers in 2013, Mark Wright where they waltzed through to the final, Jeremy Vine and Will Young. Kevin made a

spectacular debut in 2013 reaching the final with celebrity partner and Good

Morning Britain presenter Susanna Reid and has since set a new Strictly record by becoming the first professional ever to reach the final for four consecutive years with The Saturday's singer Frankie Bridge, EastEnders' actress Kellie Bright and TV presenter Louise Redknapp last year.

If dancing is your thing then, alongside Kevin and Karen, there will be plenty of opportunities to see some fancy footwork at Cliffs Pavilion next year, including fellow Strictly favourites, Vincent Simone and Flavia Cacace.

The pair will be at the Cliffs from Tuesday to Saturday, April 3 to 7, with Tango Moderno, an irresistible new stage spectacular.

Dance partners for over two decades, the world champions will bring together their famous tango style with dazzling theatrical flair to give you a "Tango for Today".

The Russian State Ballet of Siberia will also be presenting Swan Lake during two performances at the Cliffs on Sunday, March 18.

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For further information and tickets to see any of these productions at Cliffs Pavilion, Southend, call the box office on 01702 351135 or visit southendtheatres.org.uk.

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Husband and wife directors Jonathan Dayton and Valerie Faris, who made an auspicious debut in 2006 with

Little Miss Sunshine, serve-and-volley a fine romance in their dramatisation of the 1973 match between Billie Jean King and Bobby Riggs, which was billed as a showdown of youth versus experience as much as a battle of the sexes.

Or as Riggs summarises the rivalry here: "Male chauvinistic pig versus hairy-legged feminist, no offence."

Writer Simon Beaufoy, who previously penned The Full Monty, and

Slumdog Millionaire, elegantly navigates the personal lives of the two protagonists as he explores gender inequalities and sexual identity in the run-up to the winner-takes-all contest at the Houston Astrodome in Texas.

The fractious face-off provides the film with a gripping conclusion, even if you know the eventual outcome, executed with pinpoint precision and slick digital effects.

It's a sophisticated, crowd-pleasing rally of heartache and triumph against adversity, underpinned by a universal message of acceptance and respect.

Billie Jean (Emma Stone) and her ballsy manager Gladys Heldman (Sarah Silverman) are enraged when Jack Kramer (Bill Pullman), one of the founders of the Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP), announces the prize money for a forthcoming tournament, which is heavily weighted in favour of the male players.

"They're faster,

stronger and more competitive. It's just biology," argues Kramer.

In retaliation, King spearheads the creation of the Women's Tennis Association (WTA), including her fiercest rival, Margaret Court (Jessica McNamee).

The women's tour gains in popularity and during one layover, Billie Jean meets hairdresser Marilyn Barnett (Andrea Riseborough).

The spark of attraction is palpable, even though Billie Jean has a husband, Larry King (Austin Stowell).

As Billie Jean agonises with her forbidden desires, former champion Riggs (Steve Carell), issues a challenge to any female player to face him on the court.

Battle Of

The Sexes demonstrates a deft touch in lobbing moments of gentle humour into the characters' emotional upheaval.

Oscar-winner Stone turns in a rich and affecting performance that trumps her excellent work in La La Land as the ladies' standard bearer, who falls head over heels in love during arduous preparations for the grudge match.

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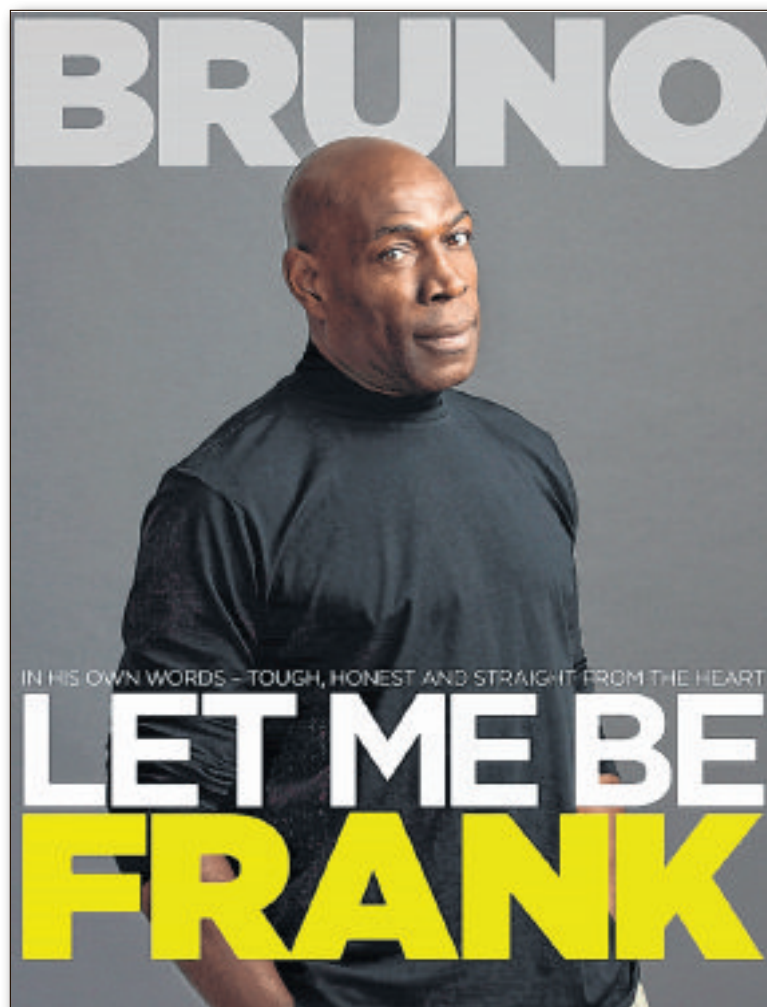
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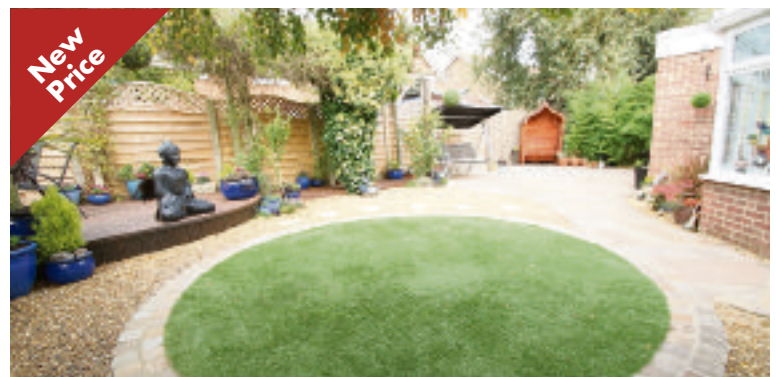
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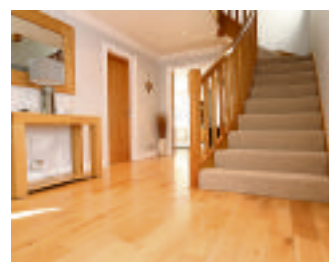
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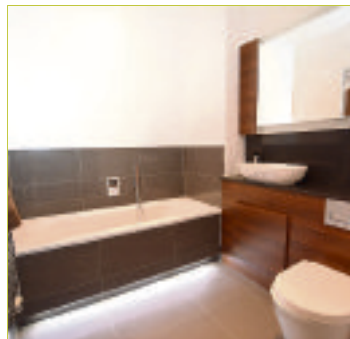
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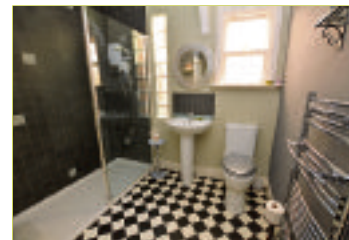
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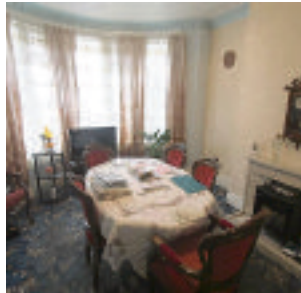
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By Chris Russon

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The company is moving the Reserve Collection from its museum to a new home near Paris where it is part of the recently opened L'Aventure Peugeot Citroën DS heritage centre.

In preparation for the move, 65 vehicles and 90 items of automobilia will be sold at auction on December 10.

The vehicles are estimated to sell for between £800 and £18,000 and include a number of rare Sbarro Citroën prototypes, pre-



**CLEAR-OUT:** Sixty-five Citroëns and 90 items of automobilia are going under the hammer next month as the car maker moves its collection to a new home

war vehicles and modern classics.

Details will be revealed when the catalogue for the sale by Leclere-mdv is published on November 20.

A Citroën spokesman said: "Due to the unique nature of this sale, L'Aventure Peugeot Citroën DS is ensuring that collectors of the Citroën marque across the world will be able to take part in the auction."

He added that L'Aventure Peugeot Citroën DS was dedicated to continuing the heritage of the Citroën brand and all successful bidders will be invited to become members of the association which administers the collections of all three PSA brands.

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Notice is hereby given that Southend-on-Sea Borough Council proposes to make the above Order under Sections 1, 2, 4, 32, 33, 35, 36 and 124 (and part IV of Schedule 9) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Road Traffic Act 1991 and of all other enabling powers and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance to Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act of 1984 as amended by Part 6 of the Traffic Management Act 2004 the effect of which will introduce waiting restrictions and parking bays for the use of the Lifeboat Crew Members and the updating of Map Tile Schedule V18 & W18.

#### To introduce No Waiting, Loading & Unloading at Any Time

Road	Description
Marine Gardens	West Side - From its junction with Marine Parade to a point opposite the southern flank wall of the Lifeboat Station
Marine Gardens	East Side - From its junction with Marine Parade southwards for approximately 17m
Marine Gardens	East Side - From a point 42m south of its junction with Marine Parade to the southern extremity of the road

#### To introduce RNLI Members Parking Bays

Road	Description
Marine Gardens	East Side - From a point 17m south of its junction with Marine Parade southwards for a distance of 25m

Copies of the draft Order, plan and Statement of the Council's Reasons for proposing to make the Order may be viewed at the Contact Centre on the ground floor of the Civic Centre (address below) during normal office hours. Documents can also be viewed online at <http://www.southendtraffweb.co.uk/consult/main.html>

Comments on the proposals together with the reasons for which they are made should be sent in writing or via the above website to reach the **Deputy Chief Executive (Place)** and marked for the attention of the **Traffic Management & Road Safety Team** at the address below by no later than **13th December 2017**.

All written representations received concerning Traffic Regulation Orders are public documents that may be inspected by any person on demand.



A Griffin  
Chief Executive & Town Clerk

Civic Centre, Victoria Avenue, Southend-on-Sea, Essex SS2 6ER

Dated: 22nd November 2017

### ERIC JAMES DOBBIN (Deceased)

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Suzanne Elizabeth Dobbin,  
The London Gazette (4722),  
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# DEFEAT NOT UNEXPECTED SAYS MOYES

## Football

**Watford 2-0 West Ham United**  
Brian Jeeves reporting  
from Vicarage Road

DAVID MOYES' tenure at West Ham United got off to a disastrous start as his new charges crashed to a lacklustre 2-0 defeat to a lively Watford side.

Much of the talk ahead of the match centred around the respective managers. Moyes, taking charge of the Hammers for the first time while speculation was focused on Hornets boss, Marco Silva, who has been linked with the vacancy at Everton.

Moyes was without the injured Javier Hernandez, Michail Antonio and Sam Byram, while 20-year-old Spaniard Antonio Martinez, who had found the net prolifically in the under-23 side, was rewarded with a place on the bench. Winston Reid was handed a starting place, despite suggestions that the defender might miss out after arriving back later than scheduled from international duty with New Zealand.

It proved to be a difficult start for the visitors as Will Hughes sent a sweet left-footed strike beyond Hammers keeper Joe Hart with barely 11 minutes on the clock.

Watford continued to press. Hart clung to Tom Cleverley's troublesome centre, then expertly turned aside Richarlison's strike, while Kiko Femenia picked up the pieces but fired agonisingly wide.



WORK TO DO: David Moyes  
Photo: Owen Humphries/PA Wire

As the opening period drew to a close, West Ham finally offered a viable threat. Hornets keeper Heurelho Gomes raced out to block from Cheikhou Kouyate after Mark Noble and Marko Arnautovic had fashioned an opening.

Then Gomes somehow twice managed to deny Arnautovic as the Hammers offered hope that they could turn the game on its head.

But West Ham already appeared to be on the ropes. Femenia and Andre Gray weren't far away as Watford started the second period strongly, while Hart produced a stunning save to claw out Adrian Mariappa's goalbound header.

Just after the hour mark Richarlison broke away before beat-

ing the woefully exposed Hart with a low, angled left-footed drive.

Manuel Lanzini's low drive beat Gomes, but was brilliantly hooked off the line by Christian Kabasele as the Hammers desperately looked for a way back.

By now the travelling West Ham fans had resigned themselves to their seventh defeat of the campaign.

This latest setback left West Ham third from bottom in the Premier League and Moyes unquestionably has his work cut out as the prospect of a bitter relegation scrap hangs over the beleaguered club.

After the game, the new Hammers boss said: "I expected something like that because that's what it's been before."

"I was disappointed that we didn't do better, but we missed a couple of really good chances at 1-0."

"The better team won the game, but there was a chance for us to affect the outcome and we didn't do it. So, we're going to have to improve and hopefully, I'll get the chance to work with the players over the coming weeks and it will make a difference."

Moyes continued: "I could see that they needed a couple of things to go for them and, in the couple of big moments we had when they didn't go for them then you could see the confidence draining away."

"We've got to try to turn things around quickly and we've got to find a way of winning."

West Ham return to Premier League action on Friday, November 24 when Leicester City visit the London Stadium (8pm).

**Watford:** Heurelho Gomes (capt), Miguel Britos, Adrian Mariappa, Tom Cleverley, Richarlison, Abdoulaye Doucoure, Andre Gray (Andre Carrillo 90+7), Will Hughes (Roberto Pereyra 84'), Kiko Femenia (Jose Holebas 86'), Marvin Zeegelaar, Christian Kabasele. Subs not used: Orestis Karnezis, Sebastian Prodl, Etienne Capoue, Stefano Okaka.

**West Ham United:** Joe Hart, Winston Reid, Aaron Cresswell, Pablo Zabaleta, Marko Arnautovic (Arthur Masuaku 74'), Cheikhou Kouyate, Andy Carroll (Diafra Sakho 65'), Manuel Lanzini, Pedro Obiang, Mark Noble (capt), Angelo Ogbonna. Subs not used: Adrian, Antonio Martinez, Edimilson Fernandes, Domingos Quina, Declan Rice.

**Referee:** Andre Marriner  
**Assistants:** Simon Beck, Simon Long  
**Fourth Official:** Stuart Attwell  
**Attendance:** 20,018

## Blues made to pay the price for Ranger penalty miss

**Portsmouth 1 Southend United 0**  
Sky Bet League One  
By Rowland Lyons  
at Fratton Park

SOUTHEND only had themselves to blame after Brett Pitman's second-half winner saw them return home empty-handed on Saturday, with Nile Ranger missing from the penalty spot before the break.

The Blues were under the cosh, early on, but were helped by a glaring fifth minute Pitman miss which saw him unable to make decent contact with Matt Clarke's near-post cross.

But, on an excellent playing surface, the visitors finally settled and Theo Robinson fashioned a chance with a 19th minute wickedly curling effort that brought the best out of keeper Luke McGee.

From the resulting corner an unmarked Ranger was unable to convert after Pompey had failed to

clear a Josh Wright drive.

Pompey hit back and Kyle Bennett was unable to connect from Jamal Lowe's cross, before Ben Close 20-yarder was stopped by Mark Oxley on 27 minutes.

Ryan Leonard found freedom on the Pompey left and swung in a cross, from which makeshift centre-back Oliver Hawkins was lucky not to turn past his own keeper.

Michael Kightly's flag-kick then found Simon Cox who glanced a header inches over.

In what was becoming an increasingly entertaining encounter it was the hosts' turn and Oxley was equal to Gareth Evans' long range drive, after the Blues had failed to clear the schemer's corner kick.

Southend were gifted an opportunity on the stroke of half-time. A Cox drive was adjudged by the assistant to have been handballed

by the unfortunate Close, despite ref Carl Boyeson appearing to award a corner.

Ranger stepped up, appeared to slip and completely missed the target.

Pompey took only nine second-half minutes to grab the lead when top scorer Pitman, didn't need a second chance to glance home sub Matt Kennedy's left-wing cross.

Southend had plenty of the late possession, but lacked quality as the hosts were content to sit on their lead.

Blues boss Phil Brown admitted: "The game was about going ahead and then seeing it out. We didn't do our job properly."

"If it's a penalty, with their player denying us a goal, then it should be a sending-off."

He concluded: "We didn't do enough in the final third and it's a

reality check for us. We were okay in the first-half, but in the second-half, we didn't stop crosses going into our box."

Michael Turner added: "We didn't create many chances and were sloppy in giving away too much possession."

**Portsmouth:** Luke McGee, Gareth Evans, Christian Burgess, Matt Clarke, Oliver Hawkins, Ben Close, Danny Rose, Jamal Lowe (Nathan Thompson 87), Kyle Bennett (Matty Kennedy 46), Kal Naismith, Brett Pitman. Subs: Alex Bass, Stuart O'Keefe, Curtis Main, Dion Donohue, Conor Chaplin.

**Southend United:** Mark Oxley, John White (Jermaine McGlashan 82), Anton Ferdinand (capt), Michael Turner, Michael Timlin, Theo Robinson (Marc-Antoine Fortune 77), Josh Wright, Ryan Leonard, Michael Kightly, Simon Cox, Nile Ranger (Stephen McLaughlin 64). Subs: Nathan Bishop, Stephen Hendrie, Dru Yearwood, Elvis Bwomono.

**Referee:** Carl Boyeson  
**Assistants:** Simon Knapp, John Carries  
**Fourth Official:** Justin Arney  
**Attendance:** 18,431

## Non-league round-up

### Concord take off in six-goal thriller

By Brian Jeeves

CONCORD Rangers continued to climb away from the wrong end of the National League South with a 4-2 victory over Chippenham Town at the Aspect Arena.

Lewis Knight bagged a brace for the Beach Boys, while Ben Greenhalgh and Amos Aasha were also on target for the home side.

Chelmsford City took the points with a 2-0 win at Whitehawk. Matthew Johnson and Chris Dickson with the Clarets goals in the opening quarter of an hour.

However, it was a frustrating day for Braintree Town, who went down 1-0 to Weston-Super-Mare at Cressing Road, and East Thurrock United, who lost by the same margin to Havant & Waterlooville at Rookery Hill.

Dagenham & Redbridge returned to winning ways with a 3-2 National League success over Guiseley at Victoria Road with Morgan Ferrier, Scott Doe and Luke Howell finding the net.

Meanwhile, Leyton Orient began life without Steve Davis with a 1-1 draw against top of the table Dover Athletic at Brisbane Road. Nortei Nortey gave Dover a first-half lead. But Craig Clay ensured a share of the spoils for the O's with a goal 11 minutes from time.

Bostik Premier Division leaders, Billericay Town, blew away their FA Cup hangover by seeing off Harlow Town 4-2 at the Harlow Arena. Sanchez Watt, Jake Robinson, Adam Cunningham and Louie Theophanous all found the net for Town, who scored three times in the final 12 minutes.

But Thurrock went down 3-1 at Enfield Town, Joel Nouble with the visitors' consolation.

Bostik North promotion hopefuls AFC Hornchurch were 2-0 winners over Hertford Town at Bridge Avenue. Nathan Cooper and Bradley Warner with the Urchins' goals, while Abs Seymour's 20th minute strike was enough for Barking to sink Canvey Island at Mayesbrook Park.

Matt Price (pen) and Shomari Barnwell ensured Brentwood Town a 2-0 success over Haringey Borough, while Junior Ogedi-Uzokwe (2, 1 penalty) and Chris Millar helped Maldon & Tiptree to a 3-1 win at Soham Town Rangers. Witham Town were 3-2 winners over Cheshunt - Jeffrey Gyamfi, Elliott Ronto (pen) and Lance Akins with the home side's goals. Tilbury also picked up maximum points as Adam Vyse and Charlie Little scored in the latter stages as the Dockers won 2-0 at Ware.

Shad Ngandu and Aron Gordon hit Waltham Abbey's goals in a 2-2 draw with AFC Sudbury at Capershots, and Kieran Bishop scored twice, one from the spot, as Grays Athletic finished 2-2 in their clash with Mildenhall Town.

Alex Teniola gave Aveley the lead just after the hour against Romford at Ship Lane. But the home side hit back to grab a share of the spoils thanks to Ayodeji Olukoga three minutes from time.

Meanwhile, Bury Town and Bowers & Pitsea played out a goalless encounter at Ram Meadow.

It was a frustrating afternoon for Heybridge Swifts, who slipped to a 2-1 defeat to Dereham Town. Luke Callander with the Swifts' goal.

Great Wakering Rovers were the big winners of the day in the Essex Senior League, thrashing Hullbridge Sports 7-1 at Burroughs Park. Takeley was also amongst the goals, winning 3-0 at Sawbridgeworth Town.

Basildon United earned a single goal success versus Ilford, while Waltham Forest picked up a notable 2-0 victory at Barkingside. FC Romania won an entertaining contest with Clapton by three goals to two, and it was the same outcome as Southend Manor saw off Tower Hamlets.

Selected action from the ProKit UK Essex Olympian League saw Springfield win their Premier Division clash with Basildon Town 6-1.

Canning Town were 3-1 winners at Rayleigh Town. In Division One, Harold Hill won an incredible contest with Galleywood, 6-4. Ramsden Scotia were 4-3 winners over Rayleigh Town Reserves in Division Two.



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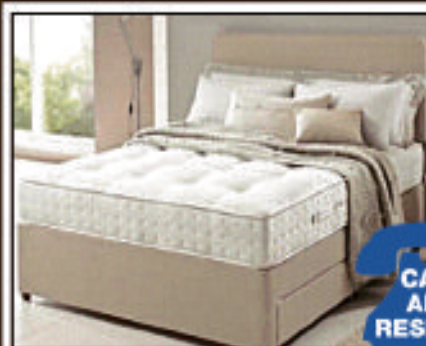


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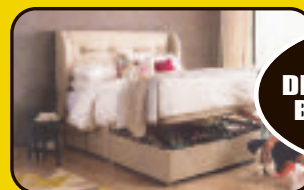
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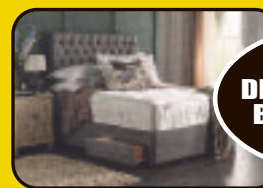


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